## **CLAIMS**

## We claim:

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- 1. An evaporable getter device (10; 20) comprising a metallic container (101; 201) containing a mixture (104; 205) of BaAl<sub>4</sub> powder and Ni powder, and two metallic nets (106, 107; 207, 208) having different wire diameter and apertures, the nets being superimposed and inserted in the container over the powders.
- 2. The device according to claim 1, wherein the first net (106, 207) has a wire diameter between 0.3 and 1.5 mm and apertures between 1.4 and 2.4 mm, and the second net (107, 208) has a wire diameter between 0.025 and 0.050 mm and apertures between 0.025 and 0.075 mm.
  - 3. The device according to claim 2, wherein the first net faces the mixture of powders.
- 4. The device (10) according to claim 1, wherein the container (101) for the powders has a cylindrical shape, the container having an outer wall (102) and a bottom wall (103) defining a space (105) containing the powders (104).
- 5. The device (20) according to claim 1, wherein the container (201) for the powders has an annular shape, the container having an outer wall (202), a bottom wall (203), and a central rise (204) defining an annular space (206) containing the powders (205).
- 6. The device according to claim 1, wherein the metallic nets (106, 107; 207, 208) are secured to an outer wall (102; 202) of the container by welding.
- 7. The device according to claim 1, wherein the metallic nets (106, 107; 207, 208) are held in position inside the container by recesses of an outer wall (102; 202) obtained by mechanical deformation of the outer wall.
  - 8. The device according to claim 1, wherein the container (101; 201) and the metallic nets (106, 107; 207, 208) are formed of a steel selected from the group of steels consisting of those in AISI 300 and AISI 400 series.
- 25 9. The device according to claim 8, wherein the steel comprises AISI 304 steel.